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TO : Chief, [redacted] Attn: [redacted] D/I,O/RR DATE: 15 July 1952

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FROM : [redacted]

SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operational

SPECIFIC— Trip report as of 3 July 1952

1. In the event of future trips by O/RR personnel to the field, it should be noted that proper, adequate and early advice on such a planned trip should be sent [redacted] Apparently, no such cable was sent this last time, and the pouched notification of my trip, which arrived a day or so before I did, bore very little resemblance to the detailed description prepared in Washington. In this case it worked out nicely after a few conversations here, but the people here certainly had the wrong idea of my visit. 25X1C4a

2. I have explained my proposed schedule, discussed working plans, and obtained suggestions with most of the interested individuals here, especially [redacted] Strategic Division, 25X1C4a
25X1A6a [redacted] I am
25X1A9a physically located with [redacted] in [redacted] shop. 25X1A9a

25X1C4a 3. Most of my effort [redacted] will be with the above groups, plus some later background and briefing talks with SC case officers. This will entail quite a bit of effort along the lines of review, spot requirement preparation, and exploitation assistance.

4. One strong first impression (which may change, but I doubt it) 25X1X4a is of a very serious lack of O/RR support to field activities here. Much effort here is devoted to [redacted] of importance to D/I in particular; and, especially through the 25X1A6a activities of [redacted] it is a very useful area for information on the USSR.

a. As I see it, there are several important responsibilities of a producing office like ORR, in support of a large field mission:

1. The first, obviously, is in submitting requirements. This means a knowledge of actual needs, plus a knowledge of how to prepare practical requirements - greater familiarity with collection methods, limitations and assets. Although there are two schools of

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[illegible], I don't feel that general guide requirements are of [illegible] value. Probably of more value are frequent and better [illegible] requirements, plus some means of keeping collection groups advised on a current basis of the type of information needed, of intelligence weaknesses, of flaps, and of projects in process (I would call this guidance, not guide requirements or catalogs.

2. Secondly, as implied in my telecon message, many CIA (and CSI) interim and final production reports would be of use here as references. When a case officer is briefing or interrogating a source, a copy of an existing plant study (as analyzed by ORR specialists from its data, etc.) or of an industry report should be available for prior reference. Apparently, little or none of this type of material exists here.

3. Effort by ORR is required here to support specific OPR needs - either general or specific hot items.

4. In view of the large potential here re[illegible] economic [illegible] Soviet Bloc, ORR should provide on-the-spot technical assistance, to staff operations here, to [redacted] case officers and staffs, and on occasion to other Government agencies in the area. Several qualified people are needed for this function, covering at least the important D/I, D/S and D/M sectors, at a working level.

5. Finally, similar ORR technical assistance is in order as support to the covert collection program.

25X1A9a believes a tentative conclusion would indicate a set-up like [redacted] but smaller, comprising a few experienced specialists assigned here for two year periods. In addition, closer support from ORR Washington would be valuable - something more nearly akin to the way [redacted] works with field units. These various comments above are my own preliminary opinion, and do not necessarily represent the views of the people here.

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5. In addition, as of July 3rd, I have: 25X1A6a

a. Reviewed several current [redacted] cables; submitted requirements and suggestions on one; [illegible] more than most work on this line.

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b. Reviewed all current available [redacted] cables; submitted requirements in behalf of D/I on [illegible] and intend to assist in further exploitation as suggested.

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. Reviewed their operations here in detail wit[redacted] reading some of the material. This is probably a continuing activity on request.

. Finally, it is suggested (per one or two requests) that several reasonably up-to-date OMR organization charts (including at least branch symbols and subjects covered) and statements of OMR functions and objectives be forwarded here.

. I will send back similar notes every once in a while. If Louise could hold them in a file, they will be my only source of notes for a trip report, if such is needed later.

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